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19 March 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Hon. Sherman Adams
The White House

FROM : Allen W. Dulles

I have your note of March 6, 1953, enclosing correspondence with Mr. Colt of the Greater Providence WMA. I am replying directly to Mr. Colt and arranging with him to attend the Providence meeting. A copy of my letter is enclosed.

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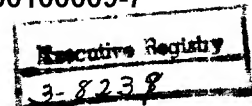
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19 March 1953

Dear Mr. Colt:

Governor Adams has passed on to me your letter of March 3 and his reply of March 6, as well as your telegram of March 11.

I confirm my agreement to attend the Annual Meeting of the Greater Providence YMCA, and I suggest that we set the date of May 11, which is one of the three dates you selected. It would be a great pleasure for me to be with you in Providence. Henry Kriston, whom you mention in your letter, is one of my close personal friends for whom I have the most sincere regard.

Faithfully yours,

SIGNED

Allen A. Dulles

Mr. Leonard B. Colt
President
Young Men's Christian Association
Providence, Rhode Island

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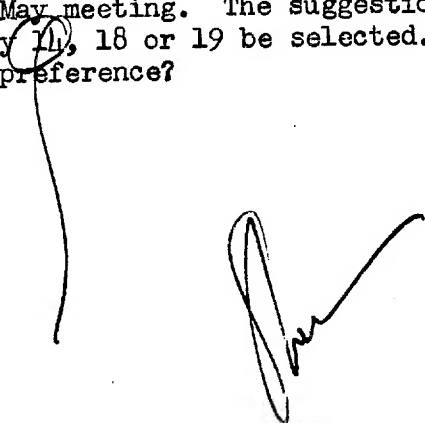
March 13, 1953

Memo to: Allen Dulles

From: Sherman Adams

Attached is a telegram to me dated March 11 from Leonard B. Colt about your being the guest speaker of the YMCA of Providence in May.

The President of Brown University, William Wriston, would like to introduce you at the May meeting. The suggestion is made that May 14, 18 or 19 be selected. Do you have a preference?



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THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER ADVISING ALLAN DULLES CAN BE
OUR GUEST SPEAKER MAY MEETING. WOULD LIKE PRESIDENT
WRISTON INTRODUCE HIM AND SUGGEST MAY FOURTEENTH
EIGHTEENTH OR NINETEENTH WHICH DOCTOR WRISTON HOLDING
OPEN PENDING MR DULLES CHOICE

LEONARD B COLT PRESIDENT GREATER PROVIDENCE YMCA.

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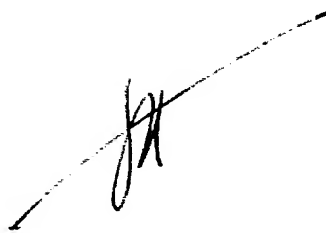
THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

March 6, 1953

Memorandum to: Mr. Allen Dulles

From: Sherman Adams

The enclosed letter to me from
Mr. Leonard B. Colt, President, Young Men's Chris-
tian Association in Providence, Rhode Island,
is sent to you for your information.

A handwritten signature, likely of Sherman Adams, is written in dark ink. The signature is stylized and appears to be a cursive 'S' followed by a few loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

March 6, 1953

Dear Mr. Colt:

I have your letter of the 3rd and have talked with Mr. Allen Dulles who has agreed to come. I am sending your letter to Mr. Dulles so that he may be generally informed as to the event. If you will give me some suggested dates, we will see if we can clear a mutually agreeable evening with him.

Sincerely,

Mr. Leonard E. Colt
President
Young Men's Christian Association
Providence, Rhode Island

GREATER PROVIDENCE
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

March 3, 1953

Honorable Sherman Adams
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Adams:

In connection with your suggestion to Ed Sherman that it might be possible to interest Mr. Allen Dulles in attending the Annual Meeting of the Greater Providence Y.M.C.A. and being the guest speaker, we would be most grateful to you for your efforts in our behalf.

As you know, the year 1953 marks the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Greater Providence Young Men's Christian Association. In recognition of this, our Annual Meeting carries unusual significance, and our Centennial Events Committee is particularly anxious to present a man of prominence and prestige like Mr. Dulles to honor us on this occasion.

Our Annual Meeting is attended by the Trustees, Directors, Governing Members, staff and friends of the Y.M.C.A., which includes many prominent citizens, and the attendance with Mr. Dulles as guest speaker could be from 300 to 400. It would be a dinner meeting beginning at six-thirty and should be over by nine-thirty.

The date could suit Mr. Dulles' convenience any time during the last three weeks of May. Monday through Thursday have proven agreeable evenings to our membership.

The Association would of course pay expenses and an honorarium.

✓ Additional details can be provided if required - the attached memorandum may be helpful. We would be most happy to send to Mr. Dulles booklets et cetera describing some of the work of the Association. We hope he can help us celebrate this important Anniversary.

Sincerely yours,

Leonard B. Colt

Leonard B. Colt
President

GREATER PROVIDENCE
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

March 3, 1953.

Relative to a title, some possible subjects could be -

Youth in the New Crusade for Peace and Morality

New Horizons for Youth

These could cover the following issues:

World War II with its backwash of crime and delinquency among children and young people as well as adults.

Corruption in cities and in our National Government.

The uncertainties growing out of the Korean War and the threat of a third World War.

All have left youth bewildered and confused.

A large segment of them are without sufficient motivation to achieve their personal capabilities or to make a real contribution to the progress of American life.

Many are deteriorating into crime and immorality.

How can youth be caught up in this crusade for peace and morality?

How can organizations like the Y.M.C.A. help most in this crusade?

How can the individual citizen do his part?



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
CONCORD

SHERMAN ADAMS
GOVERNOR

Mr Allen Dulles

*Of possible interest
to you in connection with
the May date*

Sherman Adams

GREATER PROVIDENCE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

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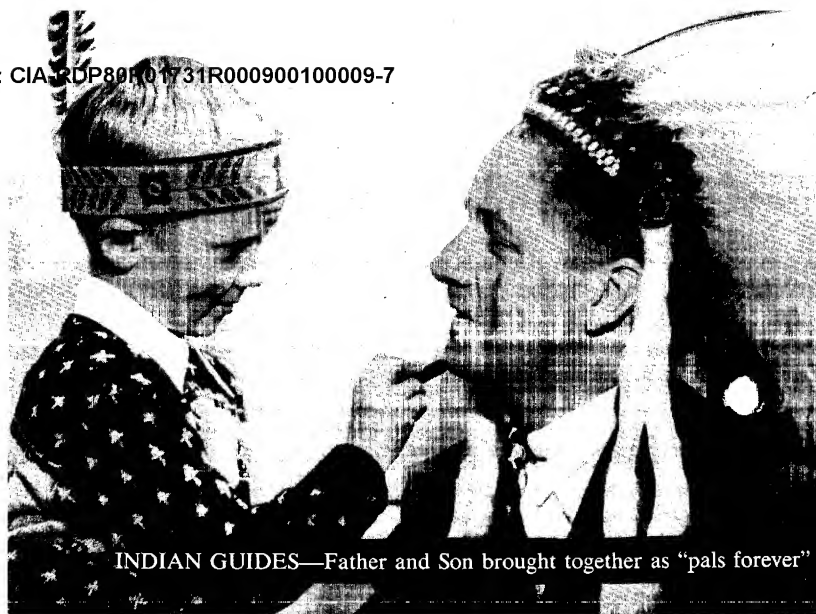
CRAFT SHOP—No place but the basement of an ancient dwelling to keep young heads and hands busy.

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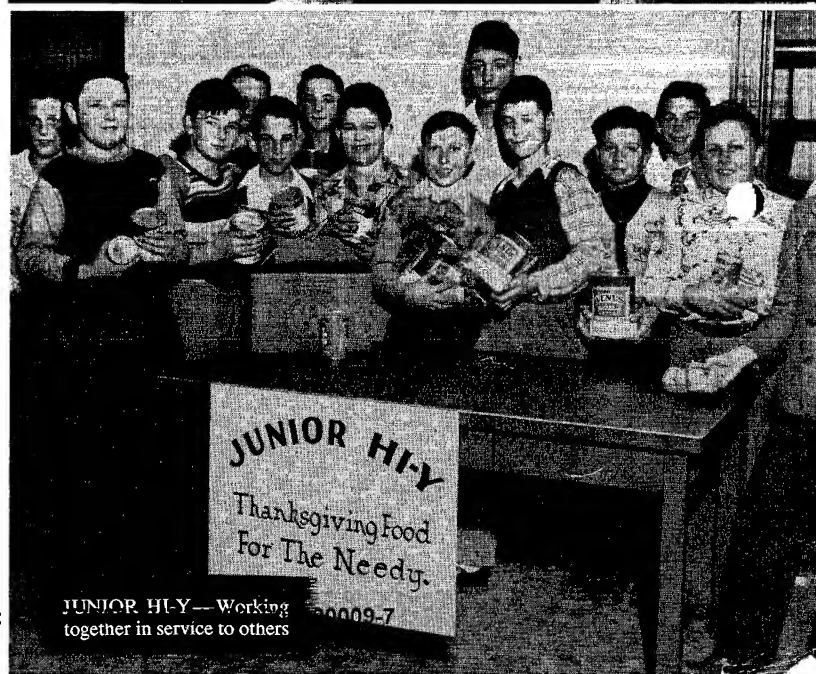
WHAT DOES YOUR Y.M.C.A. DO?

1. Works with boys from 8 to 17 years providing physical fitness, craft skills, wholesome recreation, club activities developing the spirit of fair play and building character in a boy's "free time" — when he is not at home, in school or in church. No boy is slighted because of inability to pay.
2. Works with young adults through informal education classes, forum groups, social recreation, counseling, social recreation developing civic responsibility and religious faith.
3. Provides a "home away from home" for young men in the residence building, where they can live at modest cost in clean, comfortable rooms in a wholesome atmosphere with the benefit of social activities and recreational programs.
4. Helps develop physical fitness in the gymnasium, swimming pool and in sports providing relaxation through healthful games and play.
5. Provides summer camps and day camps giving boys the thrilling and adventurous experience of outdoor life and training in outdoor skills.
6. Organizes and sponsors social activities in wholesome surroundings for young men and women and youths such as teen-age canteens, dramatic groups, clubs and social gatherings.
7. Gives vocational educational opportunities both at the college level in Accounting, Engineering and Management through the Y.M.C.A. Institute, and courses in summer school for those in high school.
8. Offers religious training through its convocations, counseling, club ceremonies and special instruction.
9. Aids service men providing them a place to stay for the night at low cost, home hospitality, fellowship room and library facilities, parties and dances, gymnasium and pool, and counseling and guidance services.

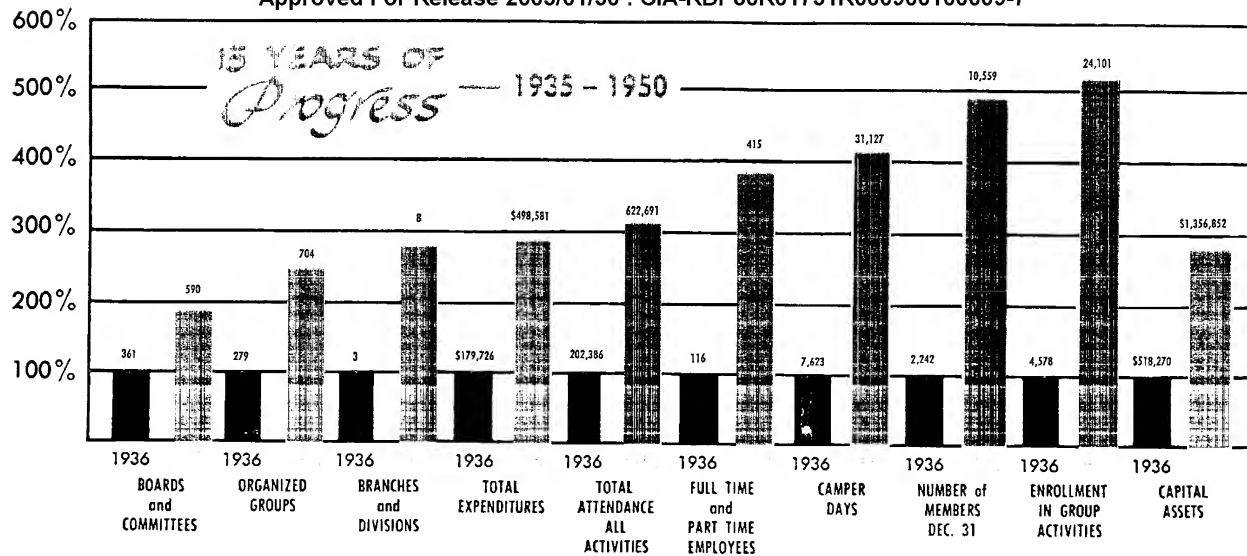
These, and other activities too numerous to detail, are the services of your Y.M.C.A.



INDIAN GUIDES—Father and Son brought together as "pals forever"



JUNIOR HI-Y—Working together in service to others



Growth and progress are wonderful, even necessary to life. But, like the chambered nautilus, periodically more "stately mansions" are required.

In the small span of 15 years the Greater Providence Y.M.C.A. has made phenomenal progress. Today it conducts activities in 18 Rhode Island cities and towns and operates eight branches and seven camps. The eight branches include the Boys' Central Branch, Cranston Branch, East Providence-Barrington Branch, East Side Branch, Men's Central

Branch, Warwick-East Greenwich Branch, Y.M.C.A. Institute and the Young Adult Division.

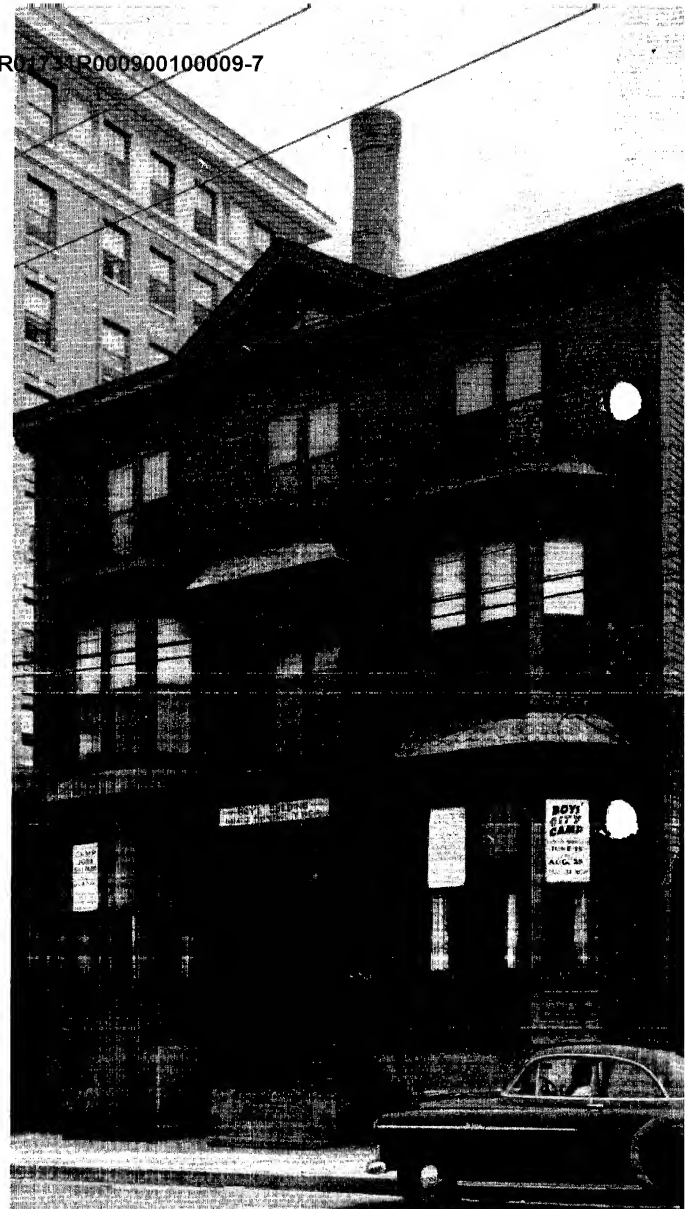
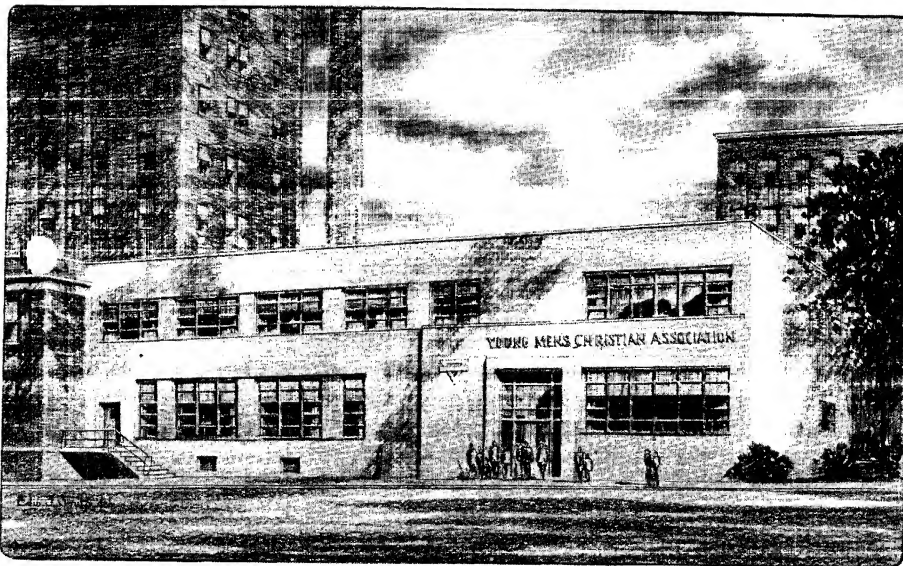
The chart above tells its dramatic story of progress and growth. Enrollment in group activities increased 500 per cent in 15 years! No one can doubt the great influence this has had in guiding boys, young men and young women toward useful citizenship.

But the catch is this. The Y.M.C.A. is carrying on a work for more than 20,000 with facilities built for 4,000! !

"Gas Light" Facilities in an Atomic Age

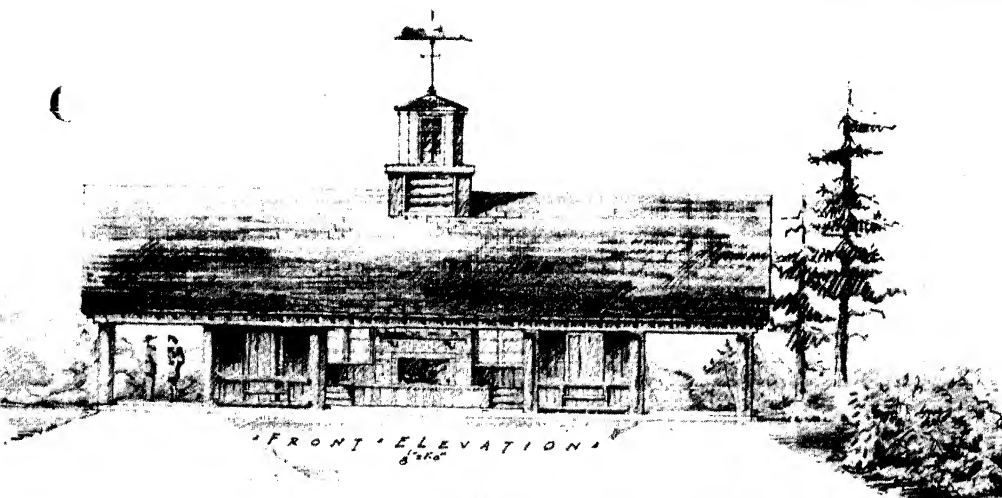
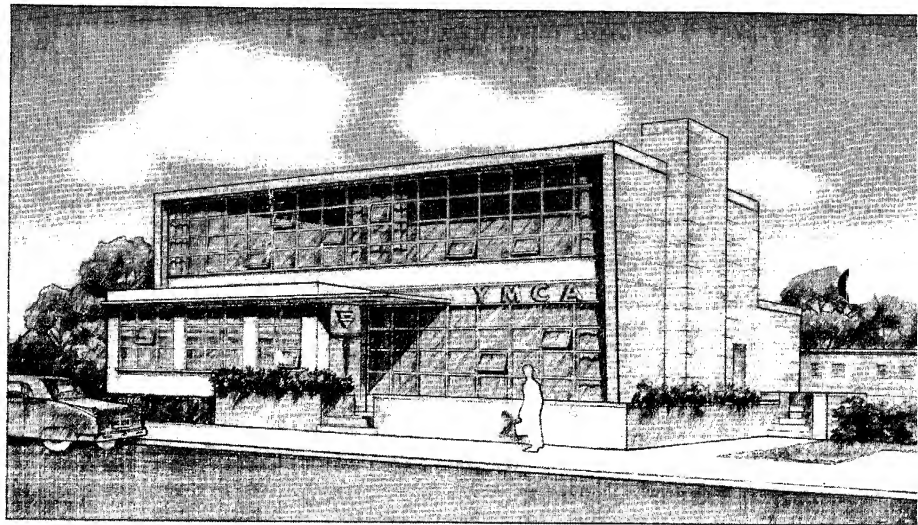
Two converted tenements of "Gay Nineties" vintage for many years have housed the activities of the Boys' Central Branch — keystone of the Y.M.C.A. program. A visit to these buildings will convince the most skeptical of the hopeless inadequacy of such an operation. It is an understatement to say these structures are so deteriorated they can no longer be used for effective work with boys. The new, modern building below, constructed where the temporary servicemen's building now stands, heads the list of proposed improvements for which a minimum of \$1,000,000 is needed.

THIS will replace THIS



COMMUNITY BRANCHES, RESIDENT SUMMER CAMPS TO BENEFIT

Community Branches are sorely in need of headquarters buildings and day camp pavilions for a work of growing importance with boys and young people in the suburbs of Providence and nearby centers of population. At the right is a drawing of a proposed Headquarters Building for Community Branch activities.



Day camp pavilions, located on suitable sites in the Community Branch areas, are an important part of the building and improvement program. Pavilions such as the one illustrated at the left are proposed. These buildings will be used to accommodate the activities of the ever-expanding day camp program for boys.

WHAT \$1,000,000 WILL DO FOR OUR BOYS AND YOUNG MEN

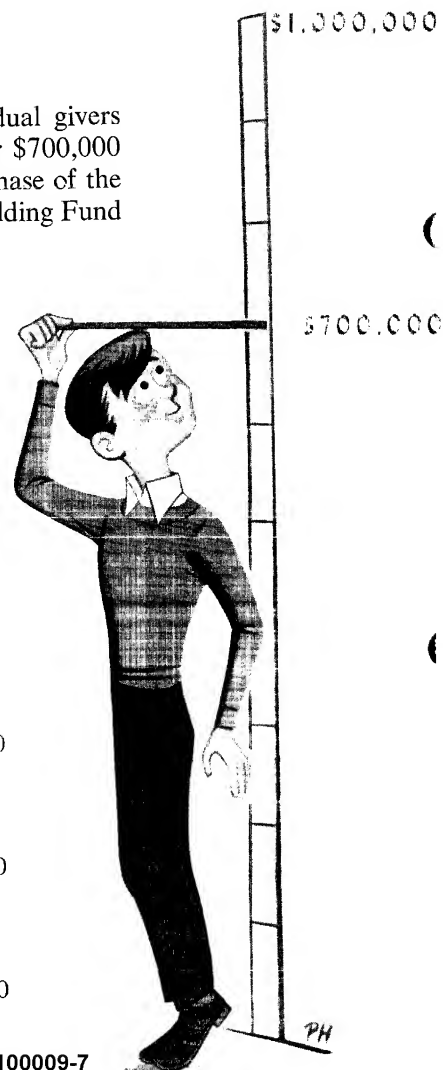
1. Provide modern "tools" to adequately bulwark activities for the more than 20,000 reached by the Y.M.C.A.
2. Create surroundings and provide equipment that will attract more and more to the beneficial program of the Association.
3. Put Greater Providence on a par with other communities in the New England area as far as Y.M.C.A. facilities are concerned.
4. Specifically, build the following structures and improvements.

Through the generosity of individual givers and the gifts of corporations, over \$700,000 has been contributed in the first phase of the Greater Providence Y.M.C.A. Building Fund Campaign.

\$300,000 more is needed to reach the goal. A VICTORY DRIVE is being launched to reach the objective, with corporate solicitation November through December, 1952 and general solicitation in the early part of 1953.

PROJECT	ESTIMATED COST
A new building for boys and young people adjacent to the present Central Building	\$250,000
A gymnasium for young men including handball and squash courts, wrestling room and exercise rooms as an addition to the Central Building	195,000
Headquarters buildings and day camps for Community Branches	160,000

PROJECT	ESTIMATED COST
Modernization of the old and worn gymnasium, swimming pool, showers and locker room	\$160,000
Rehabilitation of dormitory rooms, class rooms, new power and heating plant ...	150,000
Modernization and improvement of the two resident summer camps	85,000



The memorials or tributes which have not been selected are listed below and may be established for those who are living as well as those who have passed on.

119 MONUMENTS OF LIVING SERVICE

Unit	Description and Function	Amount of Gift	Unit	Description and Function	Amount of Gift	Unit	Description and Function	Amount of Gift
1.	Craft and Skills Shop — <i>Boys' Branch Second Floor</i> . A suitable and adequately equipped department where boys learn to use their hands and tools to develop skills and are kept busy in crafts.	\$15,000.	8.	Recreation Room Lobby — <i>First Floor</i> . A place where hundreds of boys and girls will gather. Dedicating such a facility will be a deed of service for future generations.	\$10,000.	16.	Boys' Council Room — Self-government — training in the workings of democracy, the exchange of ideas — is an important work of the Y.M.C.A. with boys.	\$8,000.
2.	Boys' Locker Room — <i>Ground Floor</i> . Where boys can get ready for the pool or gymnasium in modern, clean and bright surroundings.	10,000.	9.	Branch Executive's Office — <i>Boys' Branch Building</i> . Where the Boys' Secretary can direct the multitude of projects in the vast boys' program with efficiency and greatest effectiveness.	6,500.	17.	Hi-Y Club Room — <i>Boys' Branch Building</i> . For the use of youths of high school age for gatherings and group work.	6,500.
3.	Girls' Make-Up Room — <i>Boys' Branch Ground Floor</i> . Y.M.C.A. activities reach thousands of teen-age girls each year and such special facilities are required.	5,000.	10.	Check Room — <i>Boys' Branch Building</i> .	2,500.	18.	Indian Guide Room — <i>Boys' Branch Building</i> . The Indian Guide program is the father and son program in which a requisite is that fathers and sons participate together developing comradeship.	6,500.
4.	Shower and Drying Room — <i>Boys' Branch</i> . Such new facilities have been needed for years and are the base of the physical fitness program.	12,000.	11.	Teen-Age Activity and Recreation Center — Teen-age gatherings in wholesome surroundings cut delinquency and provide healthful recreation.	50,000.	19.	Class Room for Y.M.C.A. College (4) — The Y.M.C.A. College or Institute is on the junior college level, training young men and women after their daily work is done for junior executive positions in business and industry.	7,500.
5.	Young Women's Make-Up Room — <i>Ground Floor</i> . Young adult activities include hundreds of young women in the co-ed clubs and social recreation. They are a part of the regular membership of the Y.M.C.A. and special provisions need to be made for them.	5,000.	12.	Lobby — <i>Boys' Branch Building</i> . A gateway to the teen-age center and club and classrooms on the second floor.	10,000.	20.	Y.M.C.A. College Laboratory — A gift for this project will remodel a room and equip it as a laboratory for the Institute students.	10,000.
6.	Assembly and Recreation Room Lobby — <i>Ground Floor</i> . The entrance to much of the educational and social recreation of the Association.	7,500.	13.	Girls' Make-Up Room — <i>First Floor</i> .	5,000.	21.	Special Exercise Room	15,000.
7.	Assembly and Recreation Room — <i>Ground Floor</i> . A vital, many-purpose auditorium type room 33 x 75 with stage for recreation, fellowship and special group activities, entertainment and banquets.	100,000.	14.	Physical Director's Office — The effectiveness of health and physical education depends upon the training, ability and supervision of the Physical Director.	6,000.	22.	Wrestling Room	15,000.
			15.	Gra-Y Club Room — <i>Boys' Branch Building</i> . Where boys of grade school age can gather for classes, special instruction and club work.	8,000.	23.	Exercise and Weight Lifting Room	15,000.
						24.	Shower and Drying Room	7,500.
						25.	Locker Room	8,000.
						26.	81 Resident Rooms (Each)	500.
						27.	Three Wash Rooms (Each)	5,000.

Community Branch Buildings

28. Branch Executive and Work Office	\$10,000.	30. Club Rooms (4)	\$7,500.
29. Board and Committee Room	8,000.	31. Kitchen	8,500.